REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Favorable reconsideration of the present application is respectfully requested.

According to the Advisory Action, the "crank" and "control rod" are claimed broadly

enough to read on the prior art. These elements have therefore now been claimed more

particularly.

For example, the crank is now defined as "an elongated crank mechanism having one

end mounted at the slide and another end mounted at the frame." This is not true for the

pedal arm 14 of Kiczek et al, which does not have an end mounted at the vehicle frame.

The control rod is now defined as being connectable with the first pedal for actuating

a braking device of the motor vehicle "upon pivotal movement of the first pedal relative to

the slide." The gear sector 54 of Kiczek et al does not provide braking upon pivotal

movement of the brake pedal arm.

Applicant therefore believes that the present application is in a condition for

allowance and respectfully solicits an early notice of allowability.

Respectfully submitted,

Customer Number

22850

Tel: (703) 413-3000 Fax: (703) 413 -2220

(OSMMN 08/07)

OBLON, SPIVAK, McCLELLAND,

MAIER & NEUSTADT, P.C.

Robert T. Pous

Registration No. 29,099

Attorney of Record